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Alberta

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Current Economic Indicators
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Highlights

Labour Force: In May, Alberta's unemployment rate was 6.6%, down from April's 7.4%. Alberta had the third lowest provincial rate behind Saskatchewan's 5.0% and Manitoba's 5.7%. The large fall in Alberta's unemployment rate was the result of an increase in the number of employed people by 14,700 combined with unemployment falling by 16,900. Nationally, the unemployment rate in May remained unchanged from April's 8.1%. Since May 2009, the number of people employed in Alberta has increased by 6,100. Between May 2009 and May 2010, sizeable employment gains were noted for health care and social assistance (up 20,900), construction (up 15,900), and manufacturing (up 5,100). Industries that registered employment losses include the agricultural sector (down 6,300), public administration (down 6,200), education services and mining and oil and gas extraction sectors (each down 5,900). In March, the number of Employment Insurance recipients was 19.4% more than the number on record for March 2009. Total wages and salaries paid to all Alberta employees in the first quarter of 2010 was 0.2% higher than for the same period in 2009.

Consumer Spending: As compared to March 2009, retail sales increased by 9.9% in March 2010. In the first quarter of 2010, retail sales rose 6.8% from the same period last year. From January to April, the number of Alberta homes sold via the Multiple Listing Service increased by 21.5% compared to the same period in 2009. In the first quarter of 2010, the number of new motor vehicles sold rose by 9.0% from the first quarter of 2009. In April, Albertans paid 1.6% more for the goods and services that comprise the Consumer Price Index (CPI) than in April 2009. Nationally, the CPI increased by 1.8%.

Construction: In May, Alberta urban housing starts increased sharply by 106.1%, as compared to May 2009. Year-to-date, Alberta urban housing starts rose 136.0% from the same period in 2009 due to large rises in both single (up 122.8%) and multiple (up 167.5%) housing starts. Municipalities in Alberta took out $1.1 billion in building permits in April, up 25.9% from the same month in 2009. On a year-to-date basis, the value of Alberta's building permits rose 48.0% as compared to the same period in 2009.

Manufacturing: In April, the value of Alberta's manufacturing shipments increased by 12.5% from March 2009 to $5.0 billion. Large increases were recorded for paper (up 41.1%), wood products (up 24.6%) and chemicals (up 24.1%). Most of the other manufacturing sectors also recorded substantial increases in the value of shipments. On a year-to-date basis, manufacturing shipments rose 6.4% from the same period in 2009.

Farm Cash Receipts: Farm cash receipts decreased by 17.3% to $2.3 billion in the first quarter of 2010 as compared to the same quarter last year. Crop receipts fell 32.2% to $1.0 billion, while livestock receipts fell 3.1%, mostly on lower cattle and calf receipts (down 10.9%)

Energy: In February, production of natural gas was down by 9.0% from February 2009, while production of crude oil rose 2.0% over the same period.

Exports: In April, Alberta's merchandise exports increased by 27.8%, compared to April 2009, to $6.6 billion. On a year-to-date basis, Alberta exports rose by 16.1% from the same period last year. The mining and energy and manufacturing industries registered increases of 27.8% and 1.7%, respectively, while primary agricultural exports fell by 25.6%.

Incorporations and Bankruptcies: Over the January to May 2010 period, the number of business incorporations increased by 16.4% from the same period last year. During the first quarter of 2010, the number of business bankruptcies fell by 7.9% while consumer bankruptcies fell 10.9%.

CURRENT ECONOMIC INDICATORS

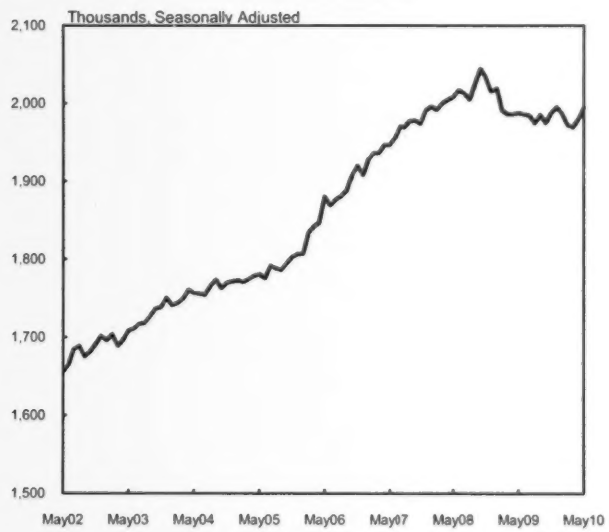
LABOUR FORCE INDICATORS (seasonally adjusted)	JANUARY - MAY AVERAGE			APRIL			MAY		
	2009	2010	Yearly Change	2009	2010	Yearly Change	2009	2010	Yearly Change
Alberta									
Labour Force (000's)	2,120.6	2,129.6	9.0	2,120.5	2,137.8	17.3	2,131.2	2,135.7	4.5
Calgary	743.5	748.3	4.8	741.6	746.5	4.9	741.9	745.8	3.9
Edmonton	654.9	661.8	6.9	656.0	658.8	2.8	660.7	665.2	4.5
Employed (000's)	1,994.4	1,980.7	-13.7	1,986.3	1,979.4	-6.9	1,988.0	1,994.1	6.1
Calgary	701.3	693.3	-8.0	693.1	689.8	-3.3	691.8	688.8	-3.0
Edmonton	622.5	614.1	-8.4	621.7	608.6	-13.1	620.8	615.9	-4.9
Employment Rate (%)	70.2	68.1	-2.1	69.7	68.0	-1.7	69.6	68.3	-1.3
Calgary	72.9	70.2	-2.7	71.9	69.8	-2.1	71.6	69.5	-2.1
Edmonton	69.5	67.0	-2.5	69.3	66.3	-3.0	69.0	66.9	-2.1
Unemployment (000's)	126.2	149.0	22.8	134.3	158.5	24.2	143.2	141.6	-1.6
Calgary	42.2	54.9	12.7	48.5	56.6	8.1	50.1	57.1	7.0
Edmonton	32.3	46.6	14.3	34.3	50.2	15.9	39.9	43.9	4.0
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.9	7.0	1.1	6.3	7.4	1.1	6.7	6.6	-0.1
Calgary	5.7	7.3	1.6	6.5	7.6	1.1	6.8	7.4	0.6
Edmonton	4.9	7.2	2.3	5.2	7.6	2.4	6.0	7.4	1.4
Participation Rate (%)	74.6	73.2	-1.4	74.5	73.4	-1.1	74.6	73.2	-1.4
Calgary	77.3	75.8	-1.5	76.9	75.5	-1.4	76.8	75.3	-1.5
Edmonton	73.1	72.2	-0.9	73.1	71.7	-1.4	73.4	72.3	-1.1

Note: Calgary and Edmonton estimates are 3-month moving averages.

ADDITIONAL LABOUR FORCE INDICATORS (unadjusted)	JANUARY - MAY AVERAGE			APRIL			MAY		
	2009	2010	Yearly Change	2009	2010	Yearly Change	2009	2010	Yearly Change
Alberta									
Male Unemployment Rate (%)	7.0	7.7	0.7	7.8	8.2	0.4	8.2	7.6	-0.6
Female Unemployment Rate (%)	4.9	6.6	1.7	4.8	7.0	2.2	5.6	6.4	0.8
Youth Unemployment Rate (%)	11.8	12.7	0.9	12.3	13.5	1.2	14.4	15.1	0.7
Working Age Population (000's)	2,842.2	2,908.4	66.2	2,847.9	2,912.6	64.7	2,855.2	2,917.8	62.6
Calgary	961.6	987.1	25.5	963.8	988.7	24.9	966.2	990.4	24.2
Edmonton	895.7	917.2	21.5	897.5	918.6	21.1	899.6	920.0	20.4
Employed (000's)	1,981.5	1,966.6	-14.9	1,966.9	1,958.1	-8.8	2,000.7	2,005.9	5.2
Full-time	1,615.1	1,608.6	-6.5	1,596.8	1,596.7	-0.1	1,647.4	1,672.7	25.3
Part-time	366.4	358.1	-8.3	370.1	361.4	-8.7	353.3	333.2	-20.1

Note: Calgary and Edmonton estimates are 3-month moving averages.

EMPLOYMENT



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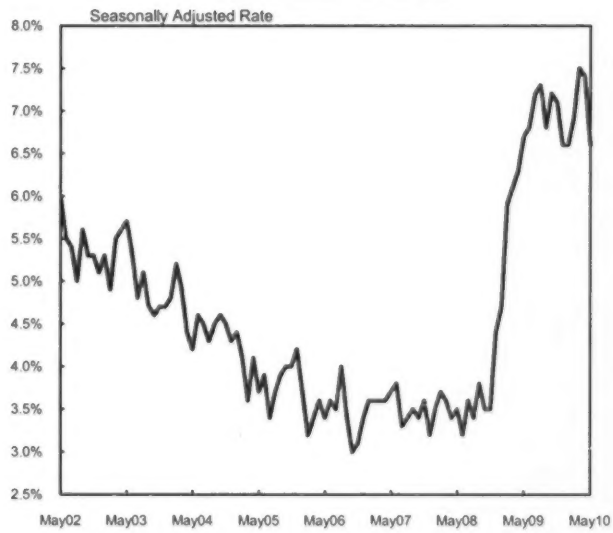


INDUSTRY LABOUR FORCE (unadjusted)	JANUARY - MAY AVERAGE			APRIL			MAY		
	2009	2010	Yearly Change	2009	2010	Yearly Change	2009	2010	Yearly Change
Alberta									
Agriculture									
Unemployment Rate (%)	1.5	1.5	0.0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Employed (000's)	55.2	46.5	-8.7	56.5	43.6	-12.9	61.6	55.3	-6.3
Mining and Oil and Gas Extraction									
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.6	5.3	-2.3	8.5	6.4	-2.1	9.7	4.5	-5.2
Employed (000's)	140.5	132.4	-8.1	132.3	132.2	-0.1	135.9	130.0	-5.9
Construction									
Unemployment Rate (%)	11.3	9.5	-1.8	12.9	10.2	-2.7	10.3	7.0	-3.3
Employed (000's)	181.5	189.5	8.0	176.8	188.3	11.5	184.3	200.2	15.9
Manufacturing									
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.0	7.5	0.5	8.7	7.2	-1.5	9.0	6.5	-2.5
Employed (000's)	128.7	121.1	-7.6	119.3	125.8	6.5	123.0	128.1	5.1
Wholesale Trade									
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.3	5.4	1.1	5.5	5.7	0.2	4.6	5.7	1.1
Employed (000's)	74.5	69.8	-4.7	71.1	67.4	-3.7	70.6	68.1	-2.5
Retail Trade									
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.2	7.2	1.0	5.7	6.1	0.4	6.5	7.8	1.3
Employed (000's)	230.0	223.4	-6.6	230.7	226.5	-4.2	232.8	228.0	-4.8
Transportation and Warehousing									
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.9	5.0	0.1	5.6	5.3	-0.3	5.5	3.8	-1.7
Employed (000's)	105.2	101.0	-4.2	105.8	98.0	-7.8	105.3	104.9	-0.4
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Leasing									
Unemployment Rate (%)	1.9	3.9	2.0	1.9	4.2	2.3	4.5	2.9	-1.6
Employed (000's)	115.1	107.0	-8.1	116.3	106.1	-10.2	109.3	111.4	2.1
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services									
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.0	4.9	0.9	5.3	5.3	0.0	4.7	4.2	-0.5
Employed (000's)	154.7	148.9	-5.8	151.3	149.7	-1.6	148.3	150.7	2.4
Business, Building and Other Support Services									
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.6	11.2	4.6	7.6	9.4	1.8	5.2	7.4	2.2
Employed (000's)	63.2	64.9	1.7	65.8	69.0	3.2	70.8	68.5	-2.3
Educational Services									
Unemployment Rate (%)	1.7	1.4	-0.3	n/a	1.7	n/a	2.9	n/a	n/a
Employed (000's)	138.2	137.7	-0.5	136.2	129.1	-7.1	140.8	134.9	-5.9
Health Care and Social Assistance									
Unemployment Rate (%)	1.6	2.0	0.4	1.6	2.8	1.2	n/a	2.9	n/a
Employed (000's)	191.1	215.2	24.1	192.2	213.3	21.1	196.6	217.5	20.9
Information, Culture and Recreation									
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.9	6.6	-0.3	7.1	9.3	2.2	8.3	9.0	0.7
Employed (000's)	75.2	80.3	5.1	74.1	83.2	9.1	80.8	78.3	-2.5
Accommodation and Food Services									
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.7	6.3	-0.4	6.5	6.5	0.0	7.9	7.1	-0.8
Employed (000's)	123.4	128.6	5.2	125.9	125.9	0.0	125.3	126.0	0.7
Other Services									
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.9	4.7	0.8	4.3	3.5	-0.8	6.5	5.2	-1.3
Employed (000's)	95.5	97.6	2.1	98.9	97.8	-1.1	97.4	93.8	-3.6
Public Administration									
Unemployment Rate (%)	1.6	1.3	-0.3	n/a	n/a	n/a	2.6	n/a	n/a
Employed (000's)	86.9	83.6	-3.3	90.3	83.4	-6.9	93.8	87.6	-6.2

NOTE: "n/a" is reported in instances of insufficient response.

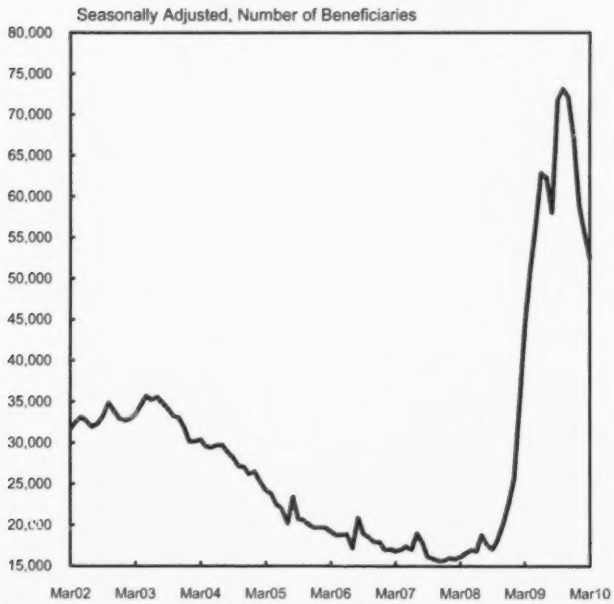
EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE	JANUARY - MARCH AVERAGE			FEBRUARY			MARCH		
	2009	2010	Per cent Change	2009	2010	Per cent Change	2009	2010	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Number of Recipients, seasonally adj.	34,623	55,763	61.1	34,180	55,670	62.9	44,010	52,560	19.4

WAGES AND SALARIES ($000,000)	JANUARY - MARCH			FEBRUARY			MARCH		
	2009	2010	Per cent Change	2009	2010	Per cent Change	2009	2010	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total, seasonally adjusted	29,148	29,582	1.5	9,725	9,857	1.4	9,690	9,942	2.6

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS ALL EMPLOYEES	JANUARY - MARCH AVERAGE			FEBRUARY			MARCH		
	2009	2010	Per cent Change	2009	2010	Per cent Change	2009	2010	Per cent Change
Alberta									
$/week, seasonally adjusted	959.06	982.62	2.5	965.26	985.99	2.1	964.04	998.49	3.6

MIGRATION	JANUARY - DECEMBER			JULY - SEPTEMBER			OCTOBER - DECEMBER		
	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
International									
Immigration	24,204	27,016	11.6	6,455	8,865	37.3	5,201	5,947	14.3
Emigration	5,819	5,854	0.6	2,347	2,368	0.9	1,279	1,287	0.6
Returning Canadians	4,348	4,348	0.0	2,233	2,233	0.0	601	601	0.0
Temporarily abroad	2,309	2,309	0.0	754	754	0.0	541	541	0.0
Net Non-Permanent Residents	23,310	7,988	-65.7	7,604	2,439	-67.9	4,480	(1,425)	n/a
Net international migration	43,734	31,189	-28.7	13,191	10,415	-21.0	8,462	3,295	-61.1
Interprovincial									
In-migration	93,012	83,589	-10.1	30,265	20,790	-31.3	20,152	12,124	-39.8
Out-migration	70,810	77,023	8.8	25,338	23,325	-7.9	13,954	14,904	6.8
Net Interprovincial migration	22,202	6,566	-70.4	4,927	(2,535)	n/a	6,198	(2,780)	n/a

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE



AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS

RETAIL TRADE ($000,000)	JANUARY - MARCH			FEBRUARY			MARCH		
	2009	2010	Per cent Change	2009	2010	Per cent Change	2009	2010	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total All Stores, seasonally adjusted	14,008	14,966	6.8	4,664	4,990	7.0	4,606	5,063	9.9
Motor and Recreational Vehicles	2,945	3,250	10.3	862	995	15.4	1,093	1,291	18.2
Gasoline Service Stations	1,317	1,551	17.8	421	492	16.9	453	553	22.3
Furniture, Furnishings, Electronics	1,001	947	-5.4	309	283	-8.2	339	339	0.0
Building and Outdoor Home Supplies	602	652	8.3	195	190	-3.0	208	246	18.4
Food and Beverage	2,935	2,976	1.4	909	942	3.6	983	1,015	3.2
Pharmacies and Personal Care	612	679	10.8	197	211	7.2	210	243	15.6
Clothing and Accessories	618	667	7.8	195	209	7.2	216	248	15.0
General Merchandise	1,436	1,499	4.4	445	458	2.7	501	544	8.5
Miscellaneous Retailers	343	338	-1.7	112	107	-4.9	120	119	-0.8

Note: The Total All Stores series is seasonally adjusted; the sales by store type series are not seasonally adjusted.

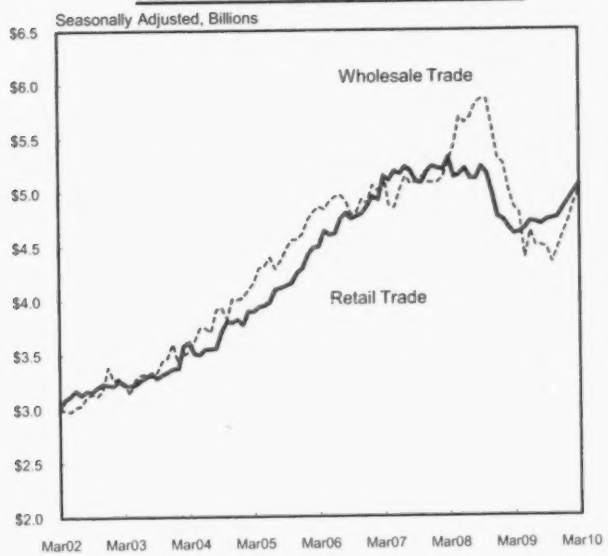
FOOD SERVICES AND DRINKING PLACES RECEIPTS ($000,000)	JANUARY - MARCH			FEBRUARY			MARCH		
	2009	2010	Per cent Change	2009	2010	Per cent Change	2009	2010	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total, seasonally adjusted	1,654	1,672	1.1	555	551	-0.7	547	569	4.1

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES	JANUARY - MARCH			FEBRUARY			MARCH		
	2009	2010	Per cent Change	2009	2010	Per cent Change	2009	2010	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total Number Sold, seasonally adjusted	45,885	50,029	9.0	14,259	17,560	23.2	14,856	16,571	11.5
Total Number Sold, unadjusted	39,405	43,786	11.1	11,102	13,770	24.0	15,152	17,491	15.4
Passenger Vehicles	12,848	13,012	1.3	3,737	4,077	9.1	5,135	5,254	2.3
Trucks	26,557	30,774	15.9	7,365	9,693	31.6	10,017	12,237	22.2

Note: Trucks include minivans, sport-utility vehicles, light and heavy trucks, vans and buses regardless of their intended use. Passenger vehicles also include taxis and rental cars.

WHOLESALE TRADE ($000,000)	JANUARY - MARCH			FEBRUARY			MARCH		
	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2009	2010	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total All Merchants, seasonally adjusted	15,118	14,619	-3.3	5,004	4,891	-2.3	4,852	5,001	3.1

RETAIL AND WHOLESALE TRADE



NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES

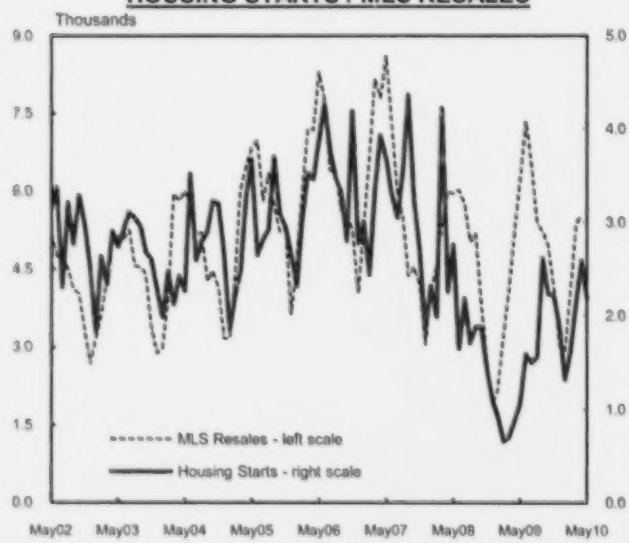
MULTIPLE LISTING SERVICE (MLS) HOUSING RESALES	JANUARY - APRIL			MARCH			APRIL		
	2009	2010	Per cent Change	2009	2010	Per cent Change	2009	2010	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total (number)	14,741	17,906	21.5	4,101	5,351	30.5	5,233	5,544	5.9
Calgary	4,117	5,757	39.8	1,392	1,913	37.4	1,797	2,446	36.1
Edmonton	3,185	3,873	21.6	1,075	1,298	20.7	1,380	1,691	22.5
Total Value ($000,000)	4,831	6,316	30.7	1,347	1,938	43.9	1,725	1,969	14.1
Calgary	2,345	3,214	37.1	669	992	48.3	825	943	14.3
Edmonton	1,565	1,896	21.1	426	580	36.0	575	626	8.8

HOUSING STARTS (urban)	JANUARY - MAY			APRIL			MAY		
	2009	2010	Per cent Change	2009	2010	Per cent Change	2009	2010	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total	4,228	9,979	136.0	873	2,591	196.8	1,063	2,191	106.1
Single Detached	2,977	6,633	122.8	618	1,501	142.9	820	1,485	81.1
All Others*	1,251	3,346	167.5	255	1,090	327.5	243	706	190.5
Calgary	1,547	3,932	154.2	321	909	183.2	480	862	79.6
Edmonton	1,462	4,428	202.9	355	1,407	296.3	346	989	185.8

* Includes: two-family, row, and apartment dwellings

BUILDING PERMITS ($000,000)	JANUARY - APRIL			MARCH			APRIL		
	2009	2010	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2009	2010	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total Value, seasonally adjusted	2,715.5	4,018.4	48.0	712.9	1,006.1	41.1	889.3	1,119.4	25.9
Total Value, unadjusted	2,595.7	3,588.9	38.3	714.7	1,010.6	41.4	920.1	1,136.2	23.5
Calgary	907.9	1,195.4	31.7	240.7	415.4	72.6	328.4	331.4	0.9
Edmonton	900.6	1,345.1	49.4	295.4	265.5	-10.1	241.4	520.4	115.5
Residential	1,052.4	2,148.1	104.1	315.3	603.1	91.3	399.4	651.1	63.0
Calgary	403.2	766.7	90.2	90.0	219.3	143.6	184.6	221.7	20.1
Edmonton	386.9	906.2	134.2	159.7	231.7	45.1	113.7	275.8	142.5
Industrial	290.6	328.8	13.2	40.0	153.4	283.3	194.4	32.7	-83.2
Calgary	12.7	61.7	385.9	2.6	56.4	2101.2	2.2	2.6	20.8
Edmonton	98.2	21.2	-78.5	25.6	5.6	-78.1	52.2	5.7	-89.1
Commercial	855.6	842.6	-1.5	263.1	174.7	-33.6	208.8	402.2	92.6
Calgary	342.6	245.4	-28.4	108.3	87.3	-19.5	77.6	86.2	11.1
Edmonton	347.3	368.9	6.2	107.1	27.0	-74.8	73.0	236.1	223.6
Institutional/Government	397.2	269.4	-32.2	96.2	79.4	-17.5	117.5	50.2	-57.3
Calgary	149.3	121.6	-18.6	39.8	52.5	31.7	64.0	20.8	-67.5
Edmonton	68.2	49.0	-28.2	3.0	1.2	-59.7	2.6	2.8	11.1

HOUSING STARTS / MLS RESALES



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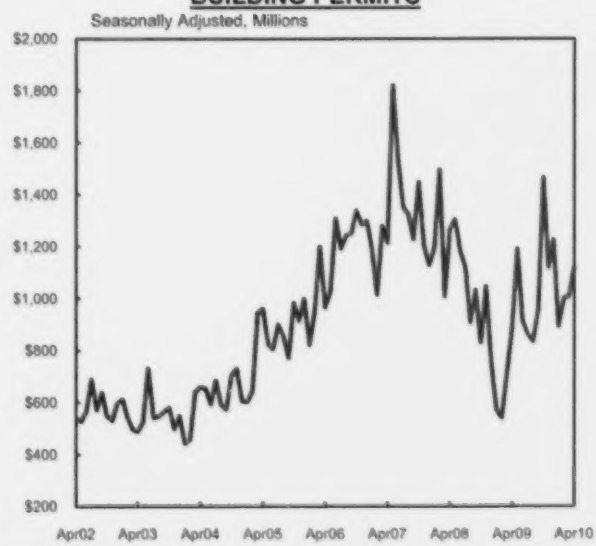
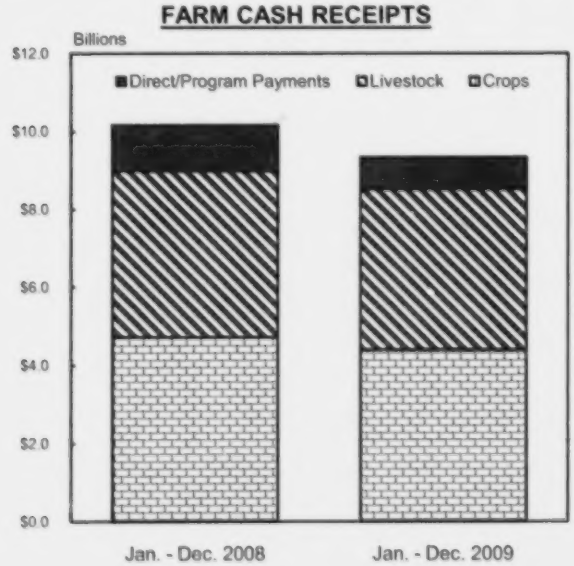


MANUFACTURING (Value of shipments of goods of own manufacture $000,000)	JANUARY - APRIL			MARCH			APRIL		
	2009	2010	Per cent Change	2009	2010	Per cent Change	2009	2010	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total, seasonally adjusted	18,842.4	20,054.4	6.4	4,681.4	5,117.4	9.3	4,427.0	4,978.7	12.5
Total, unadjusted	17,948.1	19,204.0	7.0	4,781.4	5,282.1	10.5	4,196.9	4,754.4	13.3
Food Products	3,633.7	4,126.7	13.6	956.6	1,138.4	19.0	962.0	1,066.3	10.8
Plastics & Rubber Products	340.5	372.2	9.3	91.4	105.6	15.5	84.5	102.7	21.5
Metal Fabricating	1,597.7	1,393.8	-12.8	465.2	406.8	-12.6	336.0	348.8	3.8
Printing & Publishing	290.0	274.3	-5.4	79.5	77.2	-2.8	73.8	70.5	-4.4
Non-Metallic Mineral Products	441.0	483.5	9.6	109.4	141.3	29.2	110.2	130.5	18.4
Petroleum & Coal Products	3,644.9	4,512.3	23.8	973.1	1,192.2	22.5	821.9	986.6	20.0
Chemicals & Chemical Products	3,090.4	3,358.6	8.7	836.9	908.3	8.5	696.2	863.8	24.1
Wood Products	571.0	636.9	11.5	145.6	173.3	19.0	144.5	180.0	24.6
Furniture & Fixtures	249.2	257.8	3.5	63.8	68.4	7.2	64.1	66.5	3.7
Paper & Allied	498.5	616.9	23.7	138.1	158.4	14.7	113.4	160.0	41.1
Computers & Electronics	274.0	220.7	-19.4	76.1	39.0	-48.7	46.8	33.9	-27.7
Machinery	1,812.3	1,710.7	-5.6	447.9	521.8	16.5	393.5	422.9	7.5
Other Manufacturing*	1,504.8	1,239.6	-17.6	397.9	351.4	-11.7	350.0	322.1	-8.0

*Other Manufacturing is derived residually, by deducting the sum of the above industries from the total for all manufacturing (includes Primary Metal, Beverage and Transportation Equipment sectors)

AGRICULTURE Farm Cash Receipts ($000,000)	JANUARY - DECEMBER			OCTOBER - DECEMBER			JANUARY - MARCH		
	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2009	2010	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total From Operations	10,157.5	9,339.1	-8.1	2,403.6	2,032.9	-15.4	2,833.7	2,344.6	-17.3
Crops	4,726.1	4,409.2	-6.7	1,104.5	897.7	-18.7	1,500.3	1,017.9	-32.2
Wheat, other than Durum	1,598.0	1,476.4	-7.6	348.3	353.5	1.5	380.1	268.3	-29.4
Durum Wheat	268.0	205.2	-23.4	50.7	40.1	-21.0	50.4	50.0	-0.9
Barley	387.5	270.5	-30.2	88.0	40.4	-54.0	85.4	32.7	-61.8
Canola	1,855.0	1,655.8	-10.7	538.4	367.9	-31.7	522.3	326.8	-37.4
Livestock	4,257.6	4,100.2	-3.7	1,087.4	913.2	-16.0	1,050.5	1,018.0	-3.1
Cattle and Calves	2,964.7	2,887.0	-2.6	752.1	613.1	-18.5	738.0	712.1	-3.5
Hogs	393.8	317.1	-19.5	100.8	72.9	-27.6	97.8	87.2	-10.9
Dairy Products	459.3	462.3	0.7	119.6	119.3	-0.3	113.7	117.1	3.0
Poultry	259.0	251.2	-3.0	66.7	63.7	-4.5	60.9	61.5	1.0
Direct/Program Payments	1,173.8	829.7	-29.3	211.7	222.0	4.9	282.9	308.7	9.1

Note: Wheat, Durum Wheat and Barley receipts include Canadian Wheat Board payments.



ENERGY PRODUCTION AND DELIVERIES	JANUARY - FEBRUARY			JANUARY			FEBRUARY		
	2009	2010	Per cent Change	2009	2010	Per cent Change	2009	2010	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Natural Gas									
Production (million m^3)	26,801	24,803	-7.5	14,216	13,353	-6.1	12,586	11,450	-9.0
Deliveries (million m^3)	23,714	21,233	-10.5	12,662	11,346	-10.4	11,052	9,887	-10.5
Crude Oil and Equivalents*									
Production ('000 m^3)	18,063	17,852	-1.2	9,298	8,908	-4.2	8,765	8,944	2.0
Deliveries ('000 m^3)	17,972	18,148	1.0	9,413	9,187	-2.4	8,559	8,961	4.7

*Includes Conventional Light/Medium/Heavy, Bitumen, Synthetic, Condensate and Pentanes Plus.

RIG ACTIVITY	JANUARY - MAY AVERAGE			APRIL			MAY		
	2009	2010	Per cent Change	2009	2010	Per cent Change	2009	2010	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Rig Counts									
Drilling	136	193	41.5	41	62	51.9	32	56	76.4
Available	616	556	-9.7	622	558	-10.3	620	546	-11.9

ENERGY PRICES	ANNUAL AVERAGES		2009			2010			Annual % Change
	2008	2009	MAR	APRIL	MAY	MAR	APRIL	MAY	
West Texas Intermediate Crude Oil Price (US$/Barrel)	99.66	61.82	48.06	49.95	59.21	81.29	84.57	74.12	25.2
Natural Gas Reference Price (C$/GJ)	7.47	3.63	4.01	3.41	3.13	4.05	3.26	n/a	-4.4

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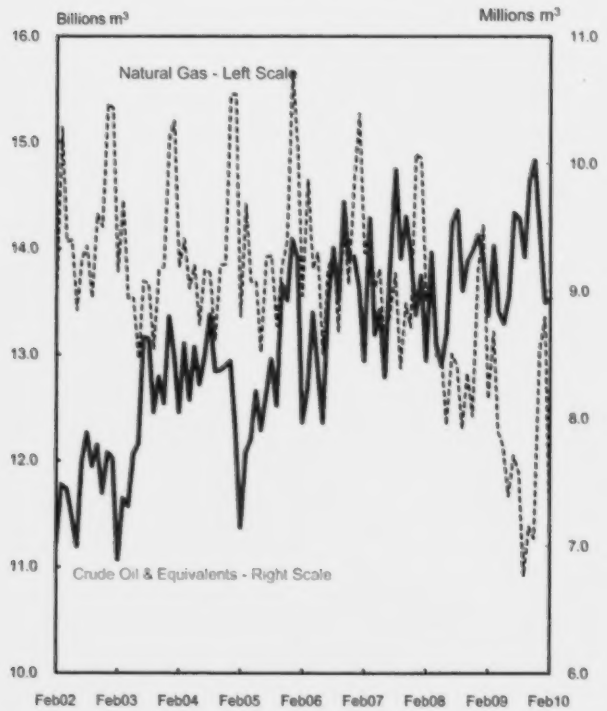

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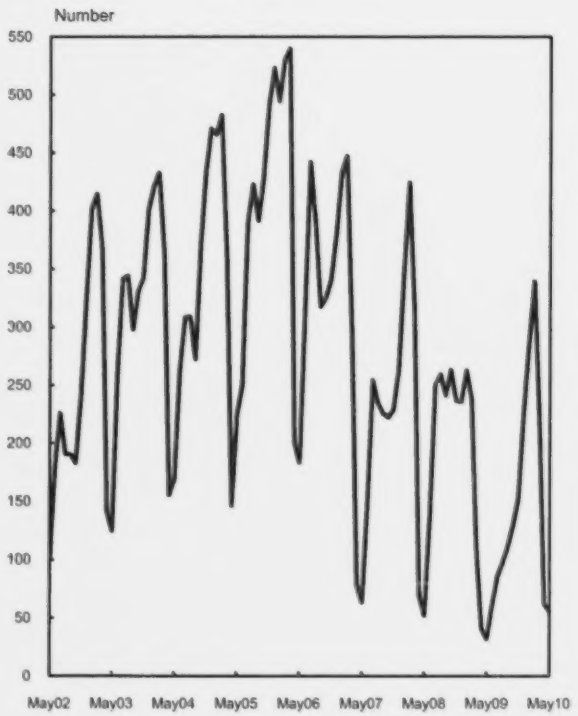


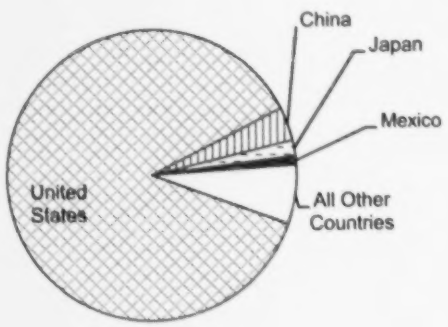
EXPORTS By Industry ($000,000)	JANUARY - APRIL 2009	JANUARY - APRIL 2010	JANUARY - APRIL Per cent Change	MARCH 2009	MARCH 2010	MARCH Per cent Change	APRIL 2009	APRIL 2010	APRIL Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total - all industries	23,010.6	26,715.8	16.1	5,844.7	6,922.3	18.4	5,184.7	6,623.5	27.8
Primary Agriculture	1,737.8	1,293.3	-25.6	433.3	381.8	-11.9	507.9	320.5	-36.9
Mining & Energy	14,746.4	18,843.7	27.8	3,667.6	4,794.2	30.7	3,134.9	4,587.8	46.3
Crude oil	7,723.9	12,203.9	58.0	2,084.3	3,239.7	55.4	1,989.5	3,219.6	61.8
Natural Gas and Natural Gas Liquids	6,667.1	6,245.0	-6.3	1,474.4	1,486.5	0.8	1,056.3	1,235.8	17.0
Other Mining and Energy	355.4	394.8	11.1	109.0	68.0	-37.6	89.1	132.4	48.5
Manufacturing	6,289.9	6,394.1	1.7	1,682.5	1,692.5	0.6	1,494.0	1,667.5	11.6
Chemicals, Petroleum & Coal Products	2,162.3	2,805.1	29.7	529.1	699.6	32.2	496.6	694.1	39.8
Paper & Wood Products	581.8	711.1	22.2	146.9	187.3	27.5	133.4	187.3	40.4
Primary & Fabricated Metal Products	581.5	654.5	12.5	163.5	178.4	9.1	145.8	195.0	33.7
Machinery & Transportation Equipment	1,297.6	799.8	-38.4	380.6	220.8	-42.0	313.6	216.1	-31.1
Food, Feed & Beverage	1,133.3	1,053.7	-7.0	309.0	303.7	-1.7	278.3	279.9	0.6
Other Manufacturing	533.3	369.9	-30.6	153.4	102.7	-33.1	126.3	95.1	-24.7
Other Exports	236.6	184.7	-21.9	61.2	53.8	-12.0	48.0	47.7	-0.4

EXPORTS Top 10 Countries ($000,000)	JANUARY - APRIL 2009	JANUARY - APRIL 2010	JANUARY - APRIL Per cent Change	MARCH 2009	MARCH 2010	MARCH Per cent Change	APRIL 2009	APRIL 2010	APRIL Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total - all countries	23,010.6	26,715.8	16.1	5,844.7	6,922.3	18.4	5,184.7	6,623.5	27.8
United States	19,239.8	23,223.7	20.7	4,788.9	6,017.8	25.7	4,192.8	5,662.9	35.1
China	822.6	998.5	21.4	244.0	272.9	11.9	235.7	302.8	28.4
Japan	545.7	475.9	-12.8	175.8	104.1	-40.8	114.5	127.8	11.6
Mexico	332.2	264.7	-20.3	105.5	79.1	-25.0	83.1	60.3	-27.4
Korea, South	171.4	183.7	7.2	49.2	46.4	-5.7	53.8	61.3	13.9
Netherlands	101.2	131.4	29.9	27.3	29.0	6.2	22.6	25.4	12.4
Australia	76.0	88.0	15.8	22.0	15.4	-29.8	11.5	24.8	116.4
Bangladesh	72.1	69.2	-4.0	9.8	29.2	198.7	10.9	7.3	-32.8
United Arab Emirates	82.0	68.0	-17.0	29.4	19.8	-32.6	18.9	13.6	-28.4
Taiwan	52.7	67.3	27.7	13.9	14.0	0.3	9.2	28.3	207.4
All Other Countries	1,515.0	1,145.2	-24.4	379.0	294.6	-22.3	431.6	309.0	-28.4

EXPORTS

ALBERTA EXPORTS BY COUNTRY

January - April 2010



BANKRUPTCIES	JANUARY - MARCH 2008	JANUARY - MARCH 2009	JANUARY - MARCH Per cent Change	FEBRUARY 2008	FEBRUARY 2009	FEBRUARY Per cent Change	MARCH 2009	MARCH 2010	MARCH Per cent Change
Alberta									
Business (number)	114	105	-7.9	44	30	-31.8	31	48	54.8
Consumer (number)	2,353	2,097	-10.9	706	637	-9.8	951	776	-18.4

BUSINESS INCORPORATIONS	JANUARY - MAY 2009	JANUARY - MAY 2010	JANUARY - MAY Per cent Change	APRIL 2009	APRIL 2010	APRIL Per cent Change	MAY 2009	MAY 2010	MAY Per cent Change
Alberta									
Number of Business Incorporations	14,231	16,562	16.4	2,954	3,268	10.6	2,700	3,138	16.2
Alberta Corporations	13,229	15,386	16.3	2,760	3,019	9.4	2,509	2,928	16.7
Non-Alberta Corporations	1,002	1,176	17.4	194	249	28.4	191	210	9.9

INTERNATIONAL TRAVELERS, NON-RESIDENTS ENTERING ALBERTA	JANUARY - MARCH 2008	JANUARY - MARCH 2009	JANUARY - MARCH Per cent Change	FEBRUARY 2008	FEBRUARY 2009	FEBRUARY Per cent Change	MARCH 2009	MARCH 2010	MARCH Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total (includes same-day)	156,487	150,732	-3.7	50,668	48,799	-3.7	55,899	57,576	3.0
Total (excludes same-day)	149,256	143,810	-3.6	48,459	46,578	-3.9	53,224	55,020	3.4
U.S.A. (excludes same-day)	88,416	83,615	-5.4	27,749	24,852	-10.4	33,795	34,042	0.7
United Kingdom	26,462	26,430	-0.1	9,166	9,018	-1.6	8,417	9,264	10.1
Germany	7,265	7,987	9.9	3,079	3,038	-1.3	2,206	2,989	35.5
Australia	2,472	2,473	0.0	574	767	33.6	747	726	-2.8
Netherlands	1,340	2,233	66.6	472	1,069	126.5	480	536	11.7
Switzerland	1,146	1,445	26.1	385	597	55.1	376	439	16.8
Mexico	3,953	1,396	-64.7	1,060	283	-73.3	1,376	648	-52.9
France	1,044	1,215	16.4	247	481	94.7	405	370	-8.6

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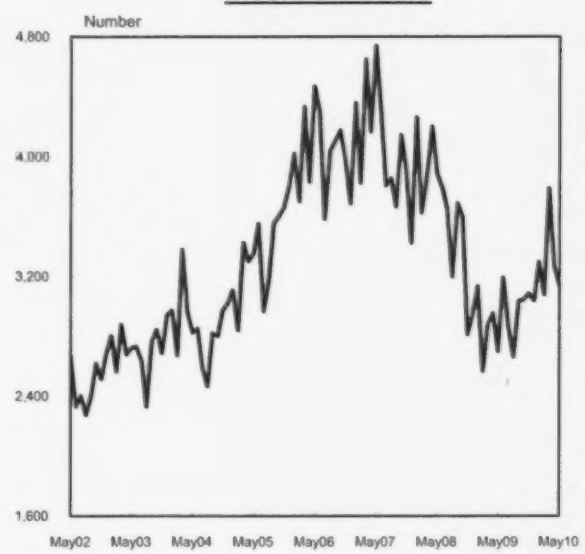

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (2002=100)	ANNUAL RATES			2009	2010				% Change
	2007	2008	2009	APR	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	APR09 - APR'10
Alberta									
All Items	117.9	121.6	121.5	120.4	122.3	122.7	122.1	122.3	1.6
Food	111.4	115.0	120.5	120.6	121.0	121.8	122.3	122.0	1.2
Shelter	140.0	151.1	147.4	146.3	148.5	148.2	146.7	145.3	-0.7
Energy	153.0	172.3	138.5	131.2	148.3	144.5	141.5	137.1	4.5
Household Operations & Furnishings	104.3	104.8	107.8	107.2	107.6	106.9	106.9	107.8	0.6
Transportation	119.5	121.6	115.6	113.7	118.8	117.9	117.6	119.0	4.7
Recreation, Education & Reading	100.7	100.4	105.3	104.1	103.4	107.9	105.3	105.9	1.7
All Items, excl. Food and Energy	115.8	118.2	119.8	119.1	119.9	120.7	120.0	120.8	1.4
Edmonton	117.4	121.4	121.6	120.5	122.4	122.9	122.3	122.6	1.7
Calgary	118.0	121.8	121.7	120.8	122.4	122.8	122.3	122.4	1.3

EXCHANGE RATES (in $Cdn)	ANNUAL RATES			2009	2010				% Change
	2007	2008	2009	MAY	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	MAY'09 - MAY'10
United States	1.0740	1.0671	1.1415	1.1509	1.0568	1.0230	1.0051	1.0399	10.7
Japan	0.0091	0.0104	0.0122	0.0119	0.0117	0.0113	0.0108	0.0113	5.4
European Monetary Union (EURO)	1.4690	1.5603	1.5853	1.5727	1.4453	1.3882	1.3480	1.3054	20.5
United Kingdom	2.1475	1.9605	1.7208	1.7767	1.6506	1.5404	1.5413	1.5254	16.5

INTEREST RATES (Prime Rates)	ANNUAL RATES			2009	2010				% Change
	2007	2008	2009	MAY	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	MAY'09 - MAY'10
Canada	6.10	4.73	2.40	2.25	2.25	2.25	2.25	2.25	0.00
United States	8.00	4.94	3.25	3.25	3.25	3.25	3.25	3.25	0.00

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, ALBERTA
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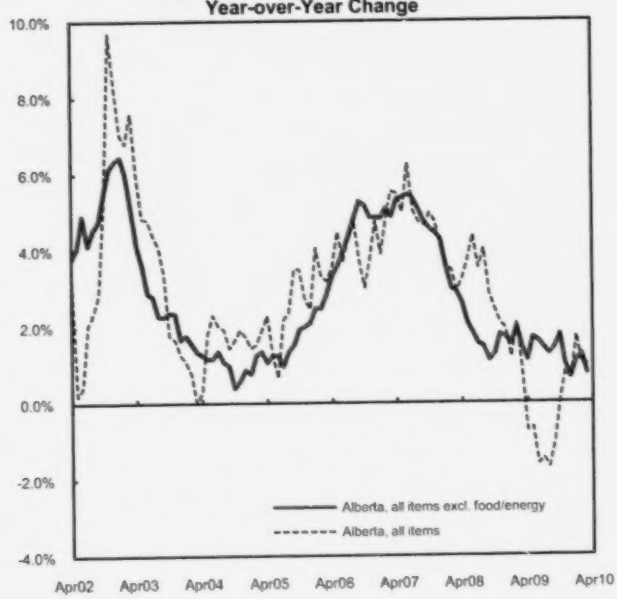

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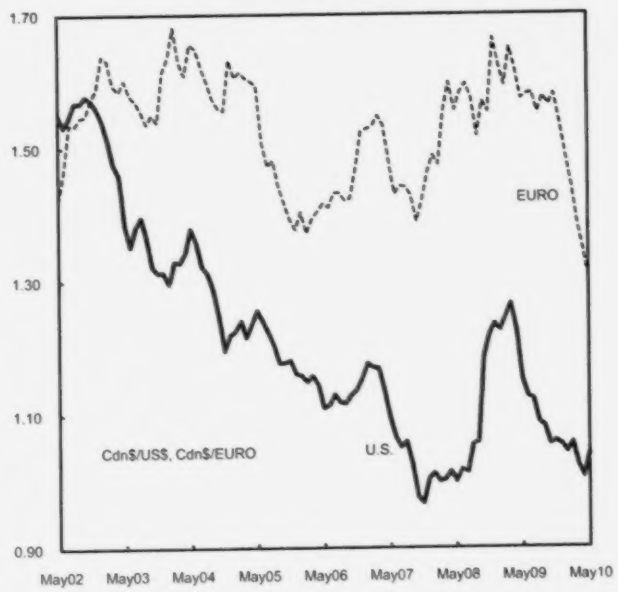

INTERPROVINCIAL COMPARISONS OF ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	NL	PE	NS	NB	QC	ON	MB	SK	AB	BC	CAN
POPULATION ('000s)											
JANUARY 1, 2009	508	140	938	748	7,789	12,995	1,213	1,022	3,644	4,422	33,527
JANUARY 1, 2010	511	141	941	751	7,870	13,134	1,229	1,038	3,712	4,494	33,931
Percent Change	0.6	0.9	0.3	0.3	1.0	1.1	1.4	1.5	1.9	1.6	1.2
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE* (%)											
MAY 2009	15.1	12.8	8.8	8.6	8.8	9.5	4.9	4.9	6.7	7.6	8.5
MAY 2010	13.8	10.7	8.7	8.8	8.0	8.9	5.7	5.0	6.6	7.5	8.1
EMPLOYED* ('000s)											
MAY 2009	213	69	455	366	3,862	6,473	608.3	521.6	1,988	2,256	16,813
MAY 2010	227	71	457	366	3,909	6,633	620.4	528	1,994	2,293	17,097
Percent Change	6.5	2.6	0.5	0.0	1.2	2.5	2.0	1.2	0.3	1.6	1.7
EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE* (Average Number of Beneficiaries)											
JANUARY - MARCH 2009	38,310	8,047	30,787	32,843	187,937	207,977	13,200	10,807	34,623	69,933	632,710
JANUARY - MARCH 2010	38,637	8,630	32,653	34,273	191,060	218,723	15,893	12,863	55,763	80,730	688,533
Percent Change	0.9	7.2	6.1	4.4	1.7	5.2	20.4	19.0	61.1	15.4	8.8

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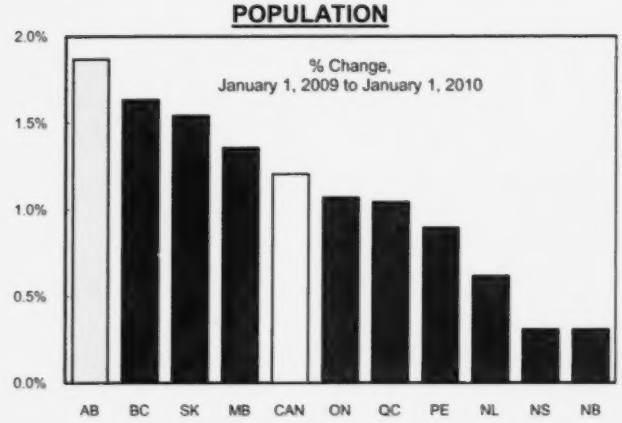

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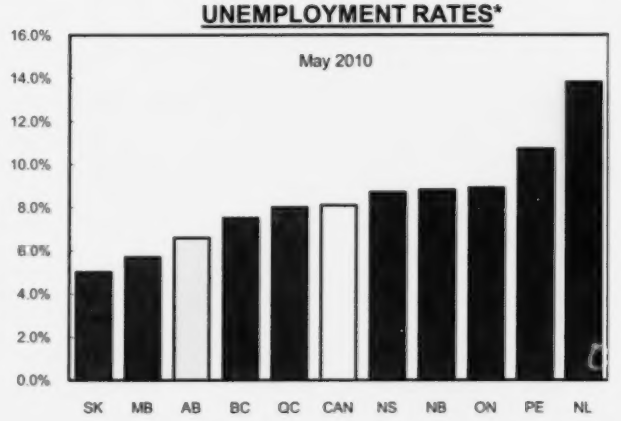

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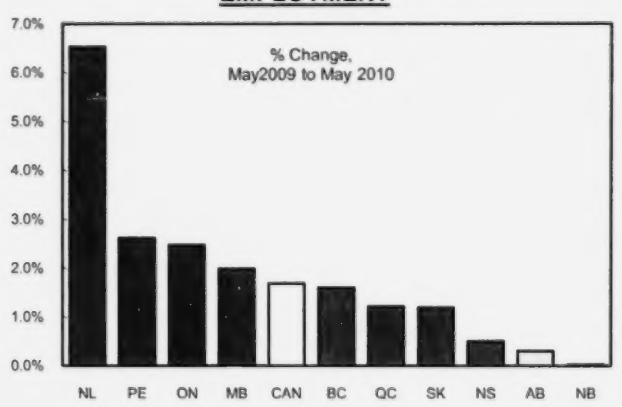

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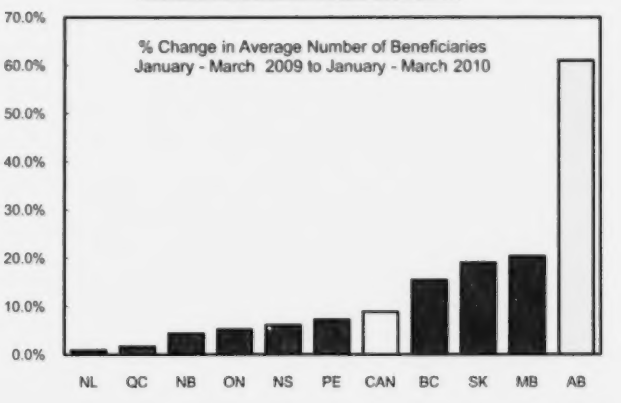

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INTERPROVINCIAL COMPARISONS OF ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	NL	PE	NS	NB	QC	ON	MB	SK	AB	BC	CAN
WAGES AND SALARIES* ($000,000)											
JANUARY - MARCH 2009	2,081	559	4,015	3,266	35,523	70,825	5,647	5,018	29,148	22,012	179,104
JANUARY - MARCH 2010	2,138	572	4,151	3,373	36,563	72,547	5,765	5,225	29,582	22,400	183,358
Percent Change	2.7	2.4	3.4	3.3	2.9	2.4	2.1	4.1	1.5	1.8	2.4
RETAIL TRADE* ($000,000)											
JANUARY - MARCH 2009	1,725	410	2,919	2,440	22,833	36,206	3,627	3,571	14,008	13,292	101,404
JANUARY - MARCH 2010	1,891	448	3,197	2,657	25,002	38,369	3,941	3,741	14,966	14,547	109,156
Percent Change	9.6	9.1	9.5	8.9	9.5	6.0	8.6	4.8	6.8	9.4	7.6
NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES* (Number)											
JANUARY - MARCH 2009	6,336	1,236	10,838	7,997	94,929	127,565	10,469	10,935	45,885	35,838	352,028
JANUARY - MARCH 2010	8,328	1,469	12,846	9,946	108,573	145,628	11,392	12,350	50,029	38,785	399,346
Percent Change	31.4	18.9	18.5	24.4	14.4	14.2	8.8	12.9	9.0	8.2	13.4
WHOLESALE TRADE* ($000,000)											
JANUARY - MARCH 2009	787	111	1,688	1,350	24,287	58,233	3,502	4,431	15,118	11,458	121,179
JANUARY - MARCH 2010	872	123	1,900	1,452	25,225	67,978	3,333	4,796	14,619	12,140	132,632
Percent Change	10.8	11.0	12.6	7.5	3.9	16.7	-4.8	8.2	-3.3	6.0	9.5

Note: New Motor Vehicle Sales for British Columbia include automobile sales for the Canadian Territories.

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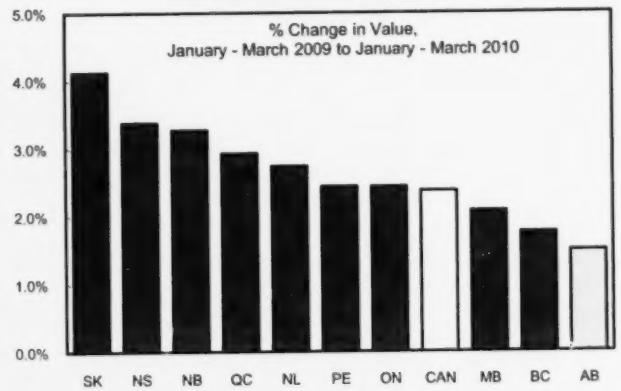

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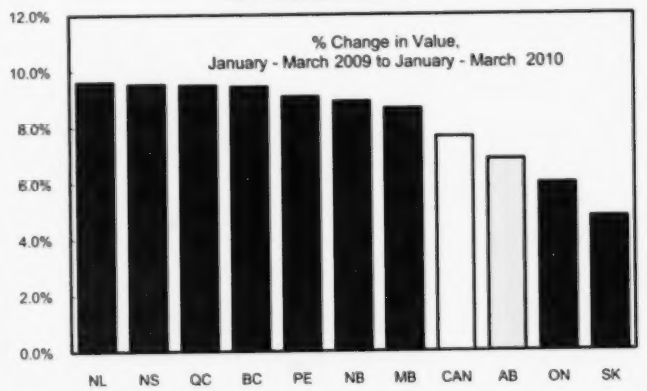

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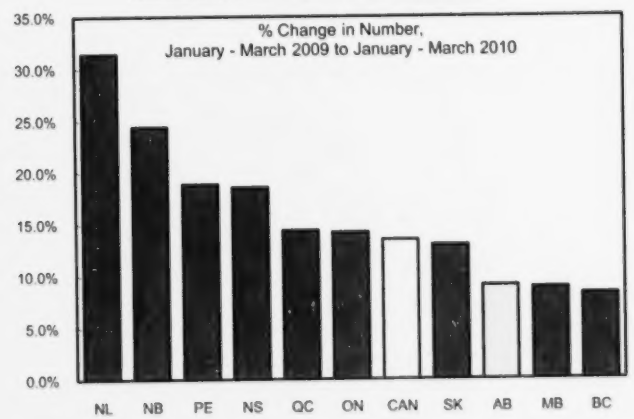

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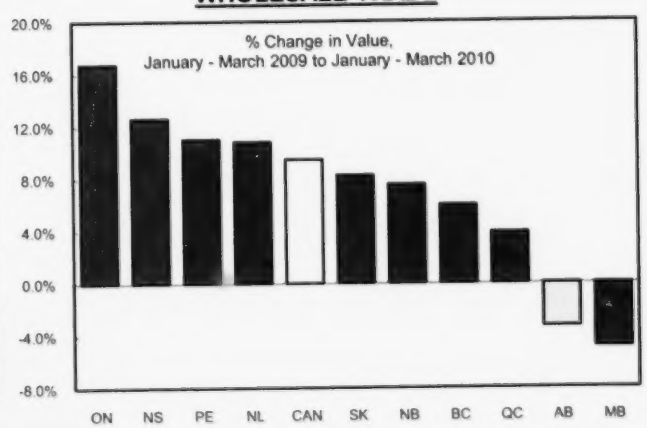

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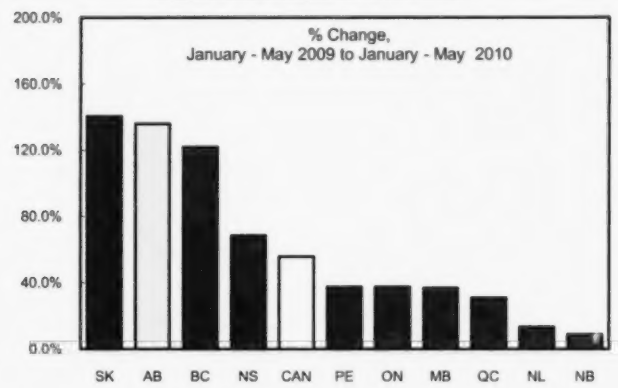
INTERPROVINCIAL COMPARISONS OF ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	NL	PE	NS	NB	QC	ON	MB	SK	AB	BC	CAN
URBAN HOUSING STARTS (Number)											
JANUARY - MAY 2009	543	123	721	760	12,847	15,772	847	561	4,228	4,225	40,577
JANUARY - MAY 2010	614	169	1,214	826	16,800	21,660	1,158	1,349	9,979	9,374	63,143
Percent Change	13.1	37.4	68.4	8.7	30.8	37.3	36.7	140.5	136.0	121.9	55.6
BUILDING PERMITS* ($000,000)											
JANUARY - APRIL 2009	252	55	377	344	3,691	6,503	437	508	2,716	2,062	16,944
JANUARY - APRIL 2010	401	65	636	331	5,219	9,504	546	640	4,018	2,977	24,335
Percent Change	59.1	18.4	68.6	-3.8	41.4	46.2	24.8	25.9	48.0	44.4	43.6
MANUFACTURING* (value of shipments of goods of own manufacture, $000,000)											
JANUARY - APRIL 2009	1,342	458	2,956	4,486	42,783	72,257	5,048	3,571	18,842	10,916	162,681
JANUARY - APRIL 2010	1,317	402	3,067	5,713	44,367	81,431	4,609	3,902	20,054	11,659	176,539
Percent Change	-1.9	-12.1	3.8	27.4	3.7	12.7	-8.7	9.3	6.4	6.8	8.5
AGRICULTURE (Farm Cash Receipts from farming operations $000,000)											
JANUARY - DECEMBER 2008	110	392	478	472	7,503	10,100	4,789	9,392	10,157	2,495	45,888
JANUARY - DECEMBER 2009	110	396	442	483	7,372	9,651	4,763	9,197	9,339	2,422	44,173
Percent Change	-0.3	0.9	-7.5	2.2	-1.8	-4.4	-0.5	-2.1	-8.1	-2.9	-3.7

URBAN HOUSING STARTS



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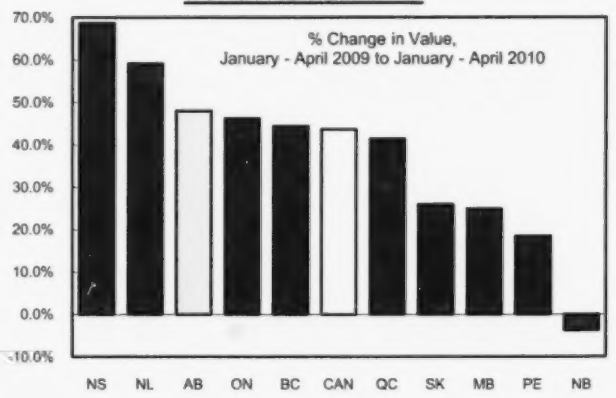

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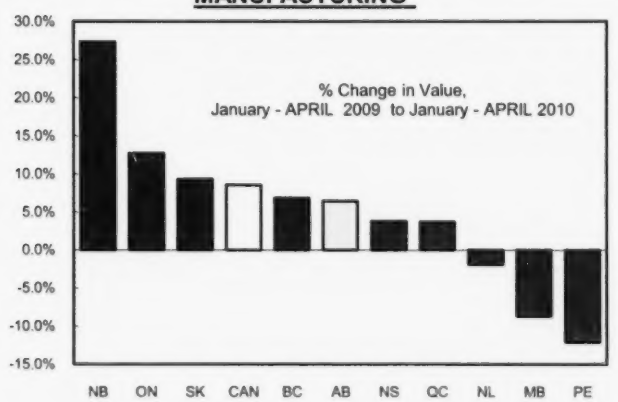

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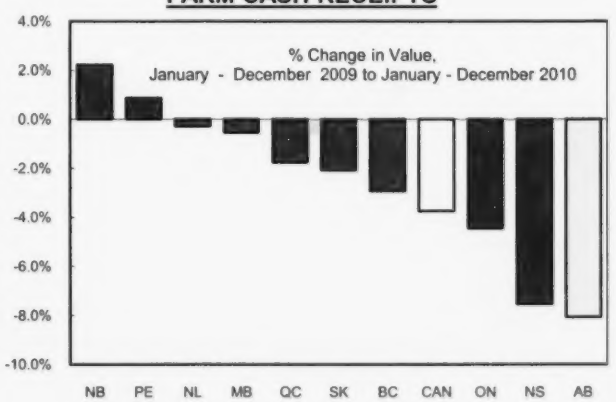

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INTERPROVINCIAL COMPARISONS OF ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	NL	PE	NS	NB	QC	ON	MB	SK	AB	BC	CAN
EXPORTS ($000,000)											
JANUARY - APRIL 2009	2,433	267	1,407	3,068	19,759	42,553	3,850	7,222	23,011	8,495	112,818
JANUARY - APRIL 2010	2,409	206	1,241	4,287	18,890	46,148	3,425	7,717	26,716	8,708	120,169
Percent Change	-1.0	-23.0	-11.8	39.8	-4.4	8.4	-11.0	6.8	16.1	2.5	6.5
CONSUMER BANKRUPTCIES (Number)											
JANUARY - MARCH 2009	631	106	1,003	673	8,563	10,589	581	414	2,353	2,616	27,542
JANUARY - MARCH 2010	632	113	1,054	717	7,067	8,326	493	423	2,097	2,452	23,388
Percent Change	0.2	6.6	5.1	6.5	-17.5	-21.4	-15.1	2.2	-10.9	-6.3	-15.1
BUSINESS BANKRUPTCIES (Number)											
JANUARY - MARCH 2009	6	4	34	24	542	549	11	38	114	108	1,430
JANUARY - MARCH 2010	5	5	22	18	394	424	25	33	105	72	1,103
Percent Change	-16.7	25.0	-35.3	-25.0	-27.3	-22.8	127.3	-13.2	-7.9	-33.3	-22.9
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (2002=100)											
APRIL 2009	114.1	116.4	115.0	112.5	112.7	113.2	113.7	116.1	120.4	112.1	113.9
APRIL 2010	117.0	119.1	117.9	115.8	114.8	115.7	114.8	118.5	122.3	113.2	116.0
Percent Change	2.5	2.3	2.5	2.9	1.9	2.2	1.0	2.1	1.6	1.0	1.8

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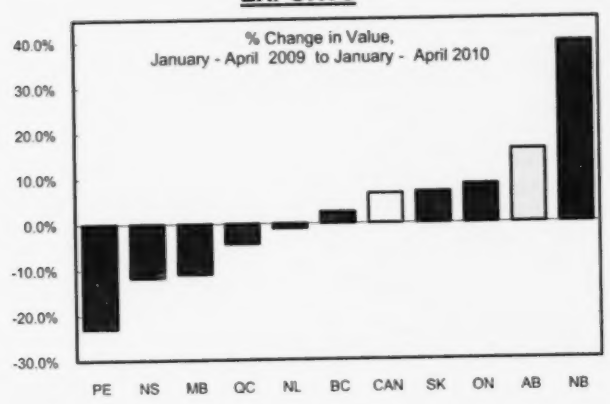

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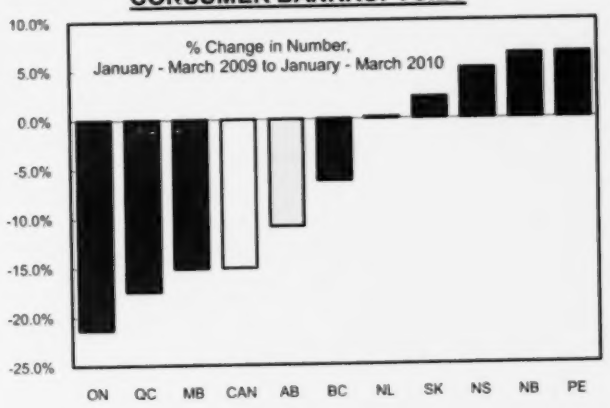

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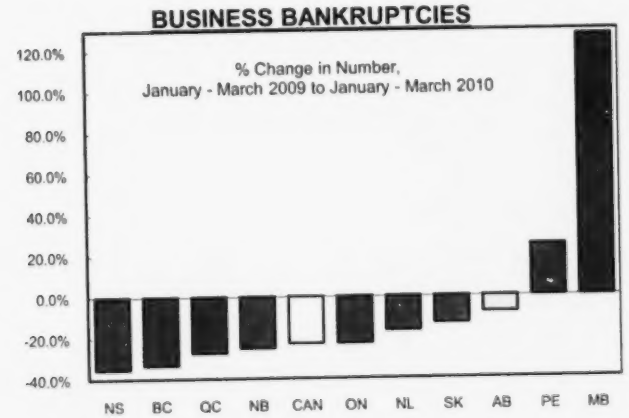

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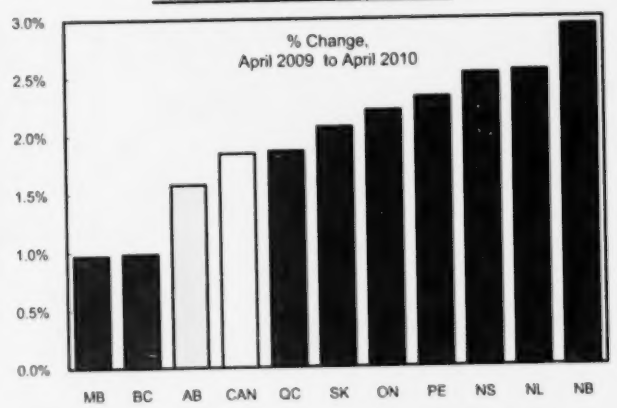

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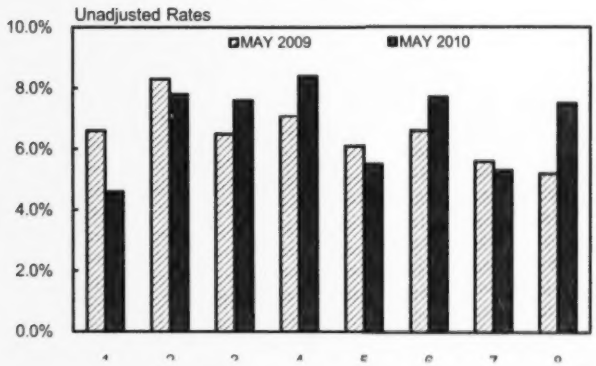
REGIONAL ECONOMIC INDICATORS

LABOUR FORCE, ALBERTA REGIONS (unadjusted, 3-month moving average)	MAY 2009	MAY 2010
Labour Force (000s)		
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake	71.3	75.6
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie	142.9	144.0
3) Edmonton Region	679.7	684.1
4) Red Deer Region	113.4	112.4
5) Banff - Jasper - Rocky Mountain House	55.7	54.4
6) Calgary Region	796.2	798.5
7) Camrose - Drumheller	112.2	114.8
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat	145.3	144.9
Employed (000s)		
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake	66.6	72.1
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie	130.9	132.7
3) Edmonton Region	635.6	632.1
4) Red Deer Region	105.3	103.0
5) Banff - Jasper - Rocky Mountain House	52.3	51.4
6) Calgary Region	744.0	736.8
7) Camrose - Drumheller	105.9	108.8
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat	137.8	134.0
Unemployment Rate		
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake	6.6%	4.6%
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie	8.3%	7.8%
3) Edmonton Region	6.5%	7.6%
4) Red Deer Region	7.1%	8.4%
5) Banff - Jasper - Rocky Mountain House	6.1%	5.5%
6) Calgary Region	6.6%	7.7%
7) Camrose - Drumheller	5.6%	5.3%
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat	5.2%	7.5%
Participation Rate		
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake	75.6%	78.6%
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie	75.4%	74.4%
3) Edmonton Region	72.7%	71.6%
4) Red Deer Region	75.8%	73.0%
5) Banff - Jasper - Rocky Mountain House	80.4%	77.3%
6) Calgary Region	76.3%	74.5%
7) Camrose - Drumheller	71.9%	73.0%
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat	68.7%	67.7%

Population (July 1, 2009)	
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake	134,665
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie	260,856
3) Edmonton Region	1,200,873
4) Red Deer Region	194,616
5) Banff - Jasper - Rocky Mountain House	91,057
6) Calgary Region	1,322,292
7) Camrose - Drumheller	202,568
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat	280,735
5-year Population Growth (2004-2009)	
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake	16.1%
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie	10.0%
3) Edmonton Region	13.5%
4) Red Deer Region	14.9%
5) Banff - Jasper - Rocky Mountain House	9.0%
6) Calgary Region	16.8%
7) Camrose - Drumheller	6.9%
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat	10.7%

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE ALBERTA REGIONS



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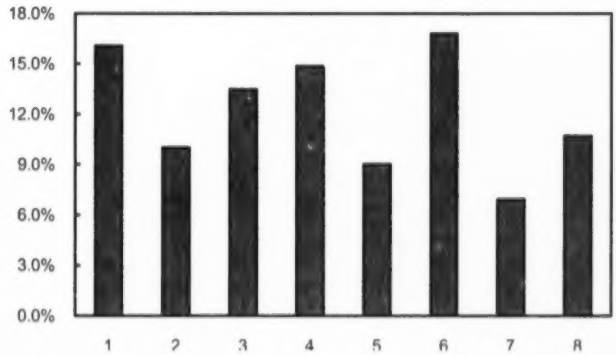


REGIONAL ECONOMIC INDICATORS

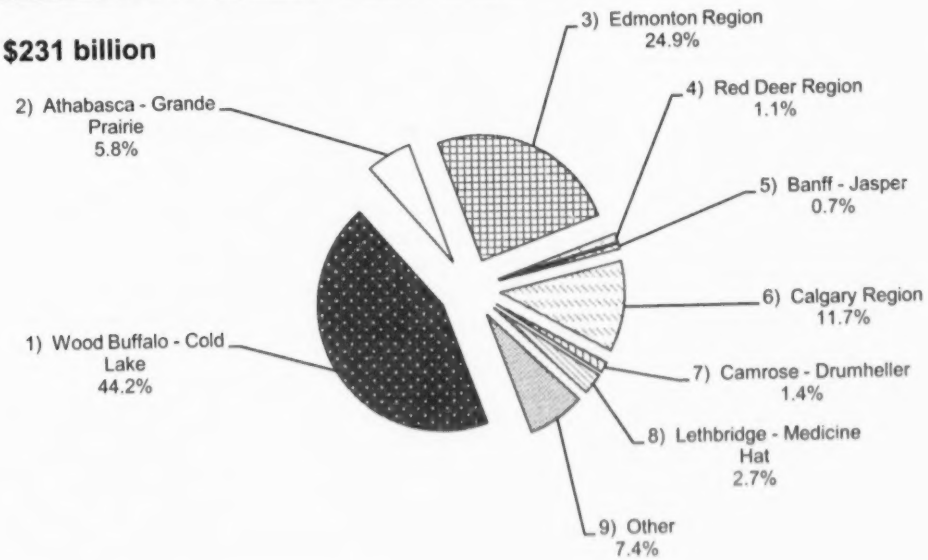
The *Inventory of Major Alberta Projects* tracks projects valued at $5 million or greater that are planned, underway, or have been recently completed.

MAJOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS	MAY	
Investment ($ 000,000)	2009	2010
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake	99,149.2	102,082.2
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie	8,760.7	13,478.4
3) Edmonton Region	59,633.5	57,446.8
4) Red Deer Region	3,007.0	2,587.6
5) Banff - Jasper	7,160.3	1,658.7
6) Calgary Region	32,826.6	27,005.5
7) Camrose - Drumheller	3,572.7	3,149.4
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat	6,674.4	6,253.3
9) Other	18,006.9	17,199.1
Total	238,791.3	230,861.0

BUILDING PERMITS ($000,000)	JANUARY - APRIL			MARCH			APRIL		
	2009	2010	Per cent Change	2009	2010	Per cent Change	2009	2010	Per cent Change
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake	219.6	460.6	109.8	25.0	150.1	499.9	142.2	98.7	-30.6
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie	161.4	157.2	-2.6	23.9	42.1	76.3	65.8	61.1	-7.2
3) Edmonton Region	911.9	1,355.3	48.6	298.9	267.5	-10.5	247.2	526.7	113.1
4) Red Deer Region	82.5	93.1	12.8	17.9	31.7	77.1	38.8	24.6	-36.5
5) Banff - Jasper	11.9	27.7	133.9	2.5	15.7	527.6	5.0	3.2	-35.6
6) Calgary Region	942.2	1,282.0	36.1	254.3	439.6	72.9	337.7	351.2	4.0
7) Camrose - Drumheller	123.0	99.1	-19.4	47.0	25.0	-46.8	44.2	29.7	-32.7
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat	143.1	113.9	-20.4	45.2	38.8	-14.2	39.2	40.9	4.6
Total	2,595.7	3,588.9	38.3	714.7	1,010.6	41.4	920.1	1,136.2	23.5

MAJOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS (MAY 2010)

Total: $231 billion



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	Unemployment Rate* (%)	Employed* (000's)	Employment Insurance Beneficiaries*	Wages and Salaries* ($000,000)	Average Weekly Earnings* ($)	Retail Trade* ($000,000)	Food/Drinking Places Receipts ($000,000)	New Motor Vehicle Sales* (#)	Wholesale Trade* ($000,000)
2000	5.0	1,584	27,391	54,624	663.00	31,738	4,035	175,545	33,255
2001	4.7	1,631	25,559	61,355	676.07	34,560	4,471	187,862	35,571
2002	5.3	1,671	32,489	63,400	693.35	37,663	4,610	204,805	36,987
2003	5.1	1,717	33,931	66,266	717.26	39,318	4,727	194,451	39,967
2004	4.6	1,758	28,869	72,707	741.06	43,349	5,030	196,153	44,941
2005	3.9	1,785	22,378	82,878	783.90	48,486	5,450	222,361	52,124
2006	3.4	1,871	18,834	95,678	823.35	55,942	6,051	248,731	58,427
Jan07	3.6	1,928	16,960	8,553	855.18	4,953	535	21,529	5,059
Feb07	3.6	1,936	17,020	8,595	854.35	4,925	523	21,095	5,004
Mar07	3.6	1,936	16,810	8,655	851.10	5,139	549	22,449	5,159
Apr07	3.6	1,946	16,950	8,702	857.90	5,108	528	21,616	4,874
May07	3.7	1,946	17,390	8,761	850.02	5,189	522	21,617	4,851
Jun07	3.8	1,956	16,980	8,890	875.04	5,166	527	21,970	5,022
Jul07	3.3	1,970	18,890	8,953	879.13	5,228	528	21,922	5,141
Aug07	3.4	1,969	17,850	8,984	863.20	5,189	534	22,060	5,069
Sep07	3.5	1,977	16,100	9,050	889.66	5,092	545	20,386	5,102
Oct07	3.4	1,978	15,860	9,126	898.93	5,084	546	20,448	5,137
Nov07	3.6	1,974	15,610	9,168	887.01	5,181	539	20,790	5,086
Dec07	3.2	1,991	15,640	9,219	891.19	5,233	533	21,168	5,082
Avg./Sum	3.5	1,959	16,838	106,654	871.06	61,487	6,410	257,050	60,587
Jan08	3.5	1,996	15,970	9,332	885.77	5,214	529	22,234	5,088
Feb08	3.7	1,992	15,820	9,415	924.01	5,204	531	21,137	5,138
Mar08	3.6	2,000	16,060	9,492	919.75	5,314	538	21,734	5,278
Apr08	3.4	2,005	16,520	9,521	917.31	5,135	548	19,629	5,432
May08	3.5	2,008	16,950	9,556	899.57	5,157	551	20,395	5,687
Jun08	3.2	2,017	16,800	9,650	923.07	5,212	565	20,591	5,640
Jul08	3.6	2,013	18,770	9,666	906.46	5,121	557	19,705	5,688
Aug08	3.4	2,005	17,590	9,769	923.47	5,121	560	19,038	5,816
Sep09	3.8	2,024	17,060	9,854	946.70	5,229	561	19,892	5,856
Oct08	3.5	2,044	18,240	9,878	930.79	5,166	558	19,862	5,851
Nov08	3.5	2,033	20,110	9,914	954.11	4,975	557	18,657	5,582
Dec08	4.4	2,015	22,530	9,928	947.54	4,765	540	15,539	5,304
Avg./Sum	3.6	2,013	17,702	115,975	923.21	61,614	6,596	238,413	66,361
Jan09	4.7	2,020	25,680	**9,311**	947.89	4,738	552	16,770	5,262
Feb09	5.9	1,992	34,180	**9,383**	965.26	4,664	555	14,259	5,004
Mar09	6.1	1,986	44,010	**9,486**	964.04	4,606	547	14,856	4,852
Apr09	6.3	1,986	50,940	**9,518**	936.23	4,618	547	15,150	4,801
May09	6.7	1,988	56,630	**9,549**	943.73	4,656	555	14,950	4,385
Jun09	6.8	1,986	62,860	**9,629**	954.05	4,721	553	15,421	4,632
Jul09	7.2	1,985	62,310	**9,640**	941.88	4,716	558	15,847	4,500
Aug09	7.3	1,975	58,030	**9,748**	934.39	4,693	550	15,660	4,496
Sep09	6.8	1,985	71,770	**9,795**	952.52	4,731	553	15,955	4,477
Oct09	7.2	1,975	73,120	**9,809**	949.74	4,744	542	16,922	4,341
Nov09	7.1	1,988	72,090	**9,820**	962.54	4,755	546	15,169	4,468
Dec09	6.6	1,995	67,050	**9,799**	949.32	4,836	**543**	**15,816**	4,608
Avg./Sum	6.6	1,988	56,556	**115,487**	950.13	56,478	**6,601**	**186,775**	55,825
Jan10	6.6	1,988	**59,060**	**9,782**	**963.38**	**4,913**	**552**	**15,898**	4,727
Feb10	6.9	1,973	**55,670**	**9,857**	**985.99**	**4,990**	**551**	**17,560**	**4,891**
Mar10	7.5	1,969	**52,560**	**9,942**	**998.49**	**5,063**	**569**	**16,571**	**5,001**
Apr10	7.4	1,979							
May10	**6.6**	**1,994**							
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	MLS Housing Resales (#)	Housing Starts (#, urban)	Building Permits ($000,000)			Manufacturing Shipments* ($000,000)	Energy Production		Rigs Drilling (#)
			Alberta	Calgary	Edmonton		Oil/Equiv. (Tsds m^3)	Gas (Mlns m^3)	
2000	43,311	21,506	5,296	2,287	1,249	44,430	89,136	176,146	296
2001	48,989	24,457	5,912	2,309	1,462	45,480	89,365	174,094	298
2002	51,042	32,729	6,847	2,714	1,797	45,404	89,885	170,828	231
2003	51,334	32,066	6,667	2,819	1,767	48,072	95,311	166,623	314
2004	57,460	32,188	7,327	2,857	2,028	53,299	101,007	167,676	331
2005	65,866	34,301	10,202	3,921	2,904	60,435	98,879	168,327	381
2006	74,350	40,882	13,876	5,480	3,541	65,091	106,018	167,385	371
Jan07	5,344	3,010	1,017	418	333	5,489	9,131	15,266	433
Feb07	6,602	2,443	851	316	255	5,631	8,526	13,956	447
Mar07	8,159	3,353	1,299	566	334	5,553	9,949	14,244	293
Apr07	7,803	3,929	1,271	424	400	5,501	8,786	13,624	79
May07	8,606	3,684	2,013	1,116	338	5,486	8,845	13,807	64
Jun07	7,327	3,306	1,631	714	418	5,305	8,327	13,042	147
Jul07	5,938	3,050	1,391	548	288	5,307	9,238	13,393	254
Aug07	5,494	3,552	1,396	390	431	5,427	9,950	13,765	234
Sep07	4,371	4,366	1,196	493	274	5,453	9,257	12,871	226
Oct07	4,544	3,236	1,533	732	258	5,522	9,581	13,482	222
Nov07	4,193	2,704	1,178	326	415	5,614	9,278	13,256	229
Dec07	3,049	1,846	953	452	181	5,541	8,813	14,888	263
Avg./Sum	71,430	38,477	15,730	6,495	3,925	65,829	109,681	165,594	241
Jan08	4,021	2,320	1,044	407	330	5,626	9,118	14,843	347
Feb08	4,601	1,988	1,367	589	303	5,633	8,452	13,506	424
Mar08	5,360	4,224	1,012	332	244	5,575	9,302	13,773	314
Apr08	5,996	2,260	1,338	447	267	5,809	8,582	12,981	70
May08	5,958	2,762	1,416	523	381	6,104	8,414	13,009	52
Jun08	6,030	1,649	1,260	433	409	6,248	8,672	12,329	136
Jul08	5,754	2,184	1,180	441	296	6,448	9,546	12,999	250
Aug08	5,031	1,712	929	315	240	6,131	9,615	12,887	259
Sep09	5,182	1,881	1,053	275	352	6,429	8,999	12,297	241
Oct08	3,840	1,885	861	319	276	5,984	9,232	12,833	263
Nov08	2,744	1,431	1,005	451	285	5,495	9,316	12,419	237
Dec08	1,882	1,099	675	186	272	4,931	9,438	13,787	236
Avg./Sum	56,399	25,395	13,141	4,719	3,657	70,411	108,685	157,664	236
Jan09	2,195	930	494	161	210	4,872	9,261	14,217	263
Feb09	3,231	658	467	177	154	4,862	8,807	12,584	238
Mar09	4,115	702	715	241	295	4,681	9,354	13,214	108
Apr09	5,251	873	920	328	241	4,427	8,838	12,280	41
May09	6,235	1,063	1,226	634	248	4,458	8,743	12,135	32
Jun09	7,368	1,591	998	450	252	4,479	8,957	11,668	59
Jul09	6,552	1,624	901	281	308	4,314	9,609	12,048	85
Aug09	5,407	1,694	883	265	381	4,504	9,570	11,890	97
Sep09	5,258	2,062	1,000	327	383	4,527	9,267	10,917	111
Oct09	4,978	2,329	1,524	602	605	4,667	9,857	11,385	129
Nov09	4,154	2,319	1,088	314	524	4,764	10,021	11,269	152
Dec09	3,042	1,899	1,060	505	260	4,777	9,462	13,023	227
Avg./Sum	57,786	17,744	11,277	4,285	3,861	55,334	111,745	146,629	128
Jan10	2,934	1,317	653	224	236	4,859	**8,908**	**13,353**	287
Feb10	4,077	1,614	789	225	323	5,069	**8,944**	**11,450**	339
Mar10	5,351	2,141	**1,011**	**415**	**266**	5,114			219
Apr10	**5,544**	2,591	**1,136**	**331**	**520**	**4,979**			62
May10		**2,191**							**56**
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	Energy Prices		International	Bankruptcies		Incorporations		International
	WTI Crude (US$/barrel)	Gas (C$/GJ)	Exports ($000,000)	Business (#)	Consumer (#)	Alberta (#)	Non-Alberta (#)	Travellers (#, direct entries)**
2000	30.20	4.27	55,495	1,709	8,847	27,001	1,970	880,729
2001	25.90	5.12	57,061	1,688	8,121	27,907	1,955	845,325
2002	26.09	3.68	48,931	1,998	8,234	28,141	2,001	826,384
2003	31.04	5.81	57,044	1,636	9,160	30,680	1,891	806,307
2004	41.40	5.98	63,688	1,565	8,719	32,276	2,041	913,320
2005	56.56	7.87	76,280	1,194	7,542	38,038	2,284	906,714
2006	66.22	6.22	77,744	666	5,248	45,527	2,680	881,623
Jan07	54.35	6.27	7,135	35	438	4,146	211	45,899
Feb07	59.39	6.82	6,396	58	365	3,582	244	48,882
Mar07	60.74	6.92	6,975	46	423	4,374	273	58,061
Apr07	64.04	6.74	6,485	47	390	3,945	220	51,057
May07	63.53	6.61	6,249	51	431	4,461	276	76,928
Jun07	67.53	6.21	7,168	29	435	4,009	271	122,878
Jul07	74.30	5.43	6,630	39	359	3,570	236	157,136
Aug07	72.36	4.81	6,994	32	415	3,629	223	129,785
Sep07	79.63	4.42	6,280	34	361	3,455	209	94,685
Oct07	85.66	4.96	6,798	22	420	3,885	258	60,811
Nov07	94.63	5.54	7,087	29	437	3,622	268	43,170
Dec07	91.74	5.85	7,677	27	294	3,242	182	64,645
Avg./Sum	72.32	5.88	81,873	449	4,768	45,920	2,871	953,937
Jan08	92.93	6.19	8,571	33	433	4,008	253	47,123
Feb08	95.35	6.72	8,282	39	409	3,362	263	49,943
Mar08	105.32	7.52	8,785	38	476	3,650	214	61,154
Apr08	112.46	8.11	9,194	37	458	3,955	244	51,448
May08	125.46	8.92	9,212	28	455	3,616	270	76,685
Jun08	134.04	9.81	9,305	55	505	3,524	266	121,766
Jul08	133.93	9.84	11,223	37	457	3,405	244	154,122
Aug08	116.69	7.35	10,206	38	514	2,999	199	128,289
Sep08	103.40	6.28	9,573	32	526	3,450	239	90,442
Oct08	76.72	6.27	9,812	35	632	3,374	229	59,701
Nov08	57.61	6.25	8,530	45	595	2,609	203	47,030
Dec08	42.04	6.36	7,479	30	606	2,756	183	66,545
Avg./Sum	99.66	7.47	110,173	447	6,066	40,708	2,807	954,248
Jan09	41.92	5.77	6,444	39	696	2,926	205	47,573
Feb09	39.21	4.66	5,538	44	706	2,354	213	48,459
Mar09	48.06	4.01	5,845	31	951	2,680	199	53,224
Apr09	49.95	3.41	5,185	24	838	2,760	194	52,360
May09	59.21	3.13	4,584	34	847	2,509	191	72,054
Jun09	69.70	2.97	5,952	33	1,021	2,978	212	113,758
Jul09	64.29	2.94	6,276	35	872	2,682	178	148,990
Aug09	71.14	2.72	5,870	33	882	2,494	169	112,877
Sep09	69.47	2.48	5,720	35	1,163	2,827	206	84,836
Oct09	76.08	3.40	5,808	33	690	2,817	228	49,465
Nov09	78.15	3.77	5,994	32	686	2,892	191	38,306
Dec09	74.60	4.51	6,744	32	634	2,833	205	58,679
Avg./Sum	61.82	3.65	69,959	405	9,986	32,752	2,391	880,581
Jan10	78.40	4.88	6,800	27	684	3,082	212	42,212
Feb10	76.45	4.68	5,845	30	637	2,833	244	46,578
Mar10	81.29	4.05	6,924	**48**	**776**	3,524	261	**55,020**
Apr10	84.57	**3.26**	**6,624**			3,019	249	
May10	**74.12**					**2,928**	**210**	
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	Consumer Price Index (2002 = 100)					Exchange Rates		Prime Rates	
								Canada	U.S.
	Alberta	Shelter	Energy	Edmonton	Calgary	(Cdn$/US$)	(Cdn$/EURO)	(%)	(%)
2000	94.5	96.9	102.0	95.1	94.1	1.4854	1.3704	7.27	9.27
2001	96.7	99.3	102.2	97.2	96.4	1.5489	1.3872	5.81	6.79
2002	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	1.5706	1.4838	4.21	4.67
2003	104.4	108.1	119.2	105.3	103.5	1.4010	1.5823	4.69	4.13
2004	105.9	109.8	123.8	106.4	105.3	1.3013	1.6169	4.00	4.38
2005	108.1	113.5	136.2	108.6	107.4	1.2114	1.5085	4.42	6.23
2006	112.3	124.8	142.7	112.0	112.3	1.1343	1.4244	5.81	7.98
Jan07	114.7	134.3	141.1	113.9	115.0	1.1759	1.5275	6.00	8.25
Feb07	115.0	133.8	137.4	114.2	115.6	1.1707	1.5315	6.00	8.25
Mar07	116.4	135.8	149.8	115.7	116.7	1.1682	1.5473	6.00	8.25
Apr07	117.5	138.0	157.2	117.0	117.6	1.1343	1.5333	6.00	8.25
May07	117.8	135.9	152.8	117.1	117.6	1.0949	1.4801	6.00	8.25
Jun07	118.8	140.0	159.2	118.6	118.6	1.0652	1.4295	6.00	8.25
Jul07	119.1	140.6	160.8	118.8	119.1	1.0503	1.4417	6.25	8.25
Aug07	119.3	143.8	161.7	119.1	119.3	1.0582	1.4410	6.25	8.25
Sep07	119.4	143.1	158.3	119.1	119.3	1.0254	1.4273	6.25	7.75
Oct07	118.6	144.5	150.8	118.3	118.7	0.9752	1.3882	6.25	7.50
Nov07	119.1	145.3	154.1	118.8	118.6	0.9671	1.4202	6.25	7.50
Dec07	118.9	145.4	153.0	118.6	119.0	1.0030	1.4607	6.00	7.25
Avg./Sum	117.9	140.0	153.0	117.4	117.9	1.0740	1.4690	6.10	8.00
Jan08	118.8	146.0	155.3	118.5	118.9	1.0111	1.4877	5.75	6.00
Feb08	119.0	146.4	155.2	118.7	119.1	0.9991	1.4738	5.75	6.00
Mar08	119.8	147.9	162.6	119.5	120.0	1.0020	1.5556	5.25	5.25
Apr08	121.3	150.9	176.7	121.2	121.2	1.0139	1.5972	4.75	5.25
May08	122.2	151.6	184.6	121.9	122.3	0.9994	1.5555	4.75	5.00
Jun08	124.0	156.0	204.6	123.7	123.9	1.0167	1.5821	4.75	5.00
Jul08	123.3	152.8	194.5	123.6	123.0	1.0127	1.5955	4.75	5.00
Aug08	124.1	156.9	201.6	123.6	124.4	1.0543	1.5734	4.75	5.00
Sep09	122.8	150.0	179.7	122.3	123.1	1.0583	1.5170	4.75	5.00
Oct08	121.5	149.7	161.3	121.3	121.8	1.1848	1.5688	4.00	4.50
Nov08	121.6	151.6	148.7	121.4	122.0	1.2182	1.5529	4.00	4.00
Dec08	121.2	153.0	142.7	121.0	121.8	1.2345	1.6635	3.50	3.25
Avg./Sum	121.6	151.1	172.3	121.4	121.8	1.0671	1.5603	4.73	4.94
Jan09	120.2	150.3	135.7	120.2	120.7	1.2263	1.6230	3.00	3.25
Feb09	121.5	151.8	146.5	121.5	121.9	1.2451	1.5929	3.00	3.25
Mar09	120.9	148.6	137.4	120.9	121.3	1.2645	1.7910	2.50	3.25
Apr09	120.4	146.3	131.2	120.5	120.8	1.2240	1.8010	2.25	3.25
May09	121.4	145.8	133.5	121.6	121.5	1.1509	1.7767	2.25	3.25
Jun09	122.0	146.1	137.4	122.2	122.1	1.1265	1.5785	2.25	3.25
Jul09	121.5	146.1	137.4	121.8	121.6	1.1223	1.5820	2.25	3.25
Aug09	122.0	147.4	143.9	122.1	122.1	1.0882	1.5517	2.25	3.25
Sep09	121.5	145.2	136.2	121.7	121.6	1.0818	1.5764	2.25	3.25
Oct09	121.6	145.4	133.1	121.8	121.9	1.0549	1.5632	2.25	3.25
Nov09	122.6	147.9	144.5	122.7	122.7	1.0596	1.5799	2.25	3.25
Dec09	121.9	147.4	141.0	122.0	122.1	1.0544	1.5380	2.25	3.25
Avg./Sum	121.5	147.4	138.2	121.6	121.7	1.1415	1.6295	2.40	3.25
Jan10	122.3	148.5	148.3	122.4	122.4	1.0429	1.4882	2.25	3.25
Feb10	122.7	148.2	144.5	122.9	122.8	1.0568	1.4453	2.25	3.25
Mar10	122.1	146.7	141.5	122.3	122.3	1.0230	1.3882	2.25	3.25
Apr10	**122.3**	**145.3**	**137.1**	**122.6**	**122.4**	1.0051	1.3480	2.25	3.25
May10						**1.0399**	**1.3054**	**2.25**	**3.25**
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